to Rs. 45 crores and Rs. 65 crores respectively.

(c) The preliminary works were started soon after the 'go-ahead' sanction was issued in Oct. 84.

(d) Finalisation of product mix in the changing environment, tie-up of technical know-how arrangements for certain items and critical details connected therewith, resulted in more time than expected being taken in working out the details of the project. The project is expected to be set up and commissioned in a time frame of 4 years after issue of final sanction.

(e) Complaints in this regard are looked into as per established procedure.

Facilities available to Offices Bearers of recognised Associations of Central Government Employees

*431. SHRI YAILA SESI BHUSHANA RAO:
SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the facilities available to three office-bearers of recognised associations of the Central Government employees, in vogue since April, 1969, have recently been restricted to only one such office-bearer; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No, Sir. The facility available since 1969 has been for only one office-bearer.

(b) Does not arise.

Training to Chinese Personnel by U.S.A.

*432. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the Press Report published in the Tribune dated the 1st February, 1988 to the effect that the U.S. are imparting training to Chinese personnel in the dangerous tactics of nuclear, biological and chemical warfare system in a most sensitive collaboration; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Government have seen the press report appearing in "The Tribune" of the 1st February, 1988, regarding the imparting of training by the USA to Chinese personnel in nuclear, biological and chemical warfare systems. There is no confirmed information in this regard, Government are, however, aware of cooperation between the United States and China in some defence-related fields.

(b) It is Government's policy to review constantly all developments having a bearing on India's security and to take effective steps to meet the emerging situation.

Indo-US Vaccine programme

*433. PROF. B. RAMACHANDRA RAO:
SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 631 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th November, 1987 and state:

(a) whether the know-how for the production of vaccines for identified diseases will be developed totally in